2. Mr. V. K. Govinda Menon, L. C. P. S. (Bombay).

(c) The volunteers wanted only to attend the practice of the hospitals. It was more an act of professional courtesy and Government had no objection to it, so long as it did not interfere with the discipline of the institution.

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## Chalakkudi Pulaya Colony.

Mr. O. R. CHUMMAR (*Vellarappalli*).

13. Will the Government be pleased to state

i. the number of families now residing in the Chalakkudi Pulaya colony;

ii. the number of families that deserted the colony during the last three years;

iii. who is now entrusted with the management of the colony?

iv. If the management is not with the Government, when and why the management was given up by the Government?

v. Whether the Government had started any industry in the colony and whether there is any industry there now supported by the Government.

DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE (*Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer.*)

i. 34.

ii. 12.

iii. The Depressed Classes Development Society.

iv. The management of the colony was handed over to the charge of the society on the 21st of September 1924, because the Society offered to take it up which the Government approved.

v. The Government had started a bamboo mat industry in the colony in 1922 to 1923 under the control of the Superintendent of Industries; it was discontinued after about a year's trial as it was found not paying. At present, basket-making and weaving of bamboo mats are going on under the supervision of the society. A sum of about Rs. 1,500 was given to the society for the working of the colony.

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